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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed March 10, 2003 (Paper No. 10), Applicants herewith petition for a three-month extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) and request entry of the following Response. A check in the amount of the prescribed fee is enclosed. This response is thus timely filed.

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are currently pending and under examination. No amendments are made to the claims. No new matter is introduced.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for alleged lack of adequate written description. More specifically, the Examiner